Reply of Government.—Schools are being established in the Malnad, whenever 12 pupils are forthcoming. Applications made to the Inspector General of Education in this behalf will receive due consideration. As regards the teaching of English, provision will be made, if half the cost is borne by the people interested.

Subject No. 15.
Increase to the pay of Hobli school masters and pupil teachers.

Summary of discussion.—The pay of Hobli school masters and pupil teachers being so low as Rs. 5 or 7, the sevices of efficient men cannot be secured. It is desirable to raise their pay to Rs. 10 and to employ passed candidates.

Reply of Government.—Their pay and prospects are being gradually improved as far as possible.

Subject No. 16.
Conversion of Kanarese Taluk Branch Schools into Anglo-Vernacular Schools.

Summary of discussion.—Hobli schools in large villages have been converted into Taluk Branch Schools, but no provision for imparting English education therein has been made. It is therefore suggested that such schools may be converted into Anglo-Vernacular Schools.

Reply of Government.—This is being done gradually whenever there is a demand for English education, provided half the cost is paid or met from fees.

Subject No. 17.
Introduction of Agricultural Text-books into Village and Hobli Schools.

Summary of discussion.—Agriculture may be taught in the Village and Hobli Schools in preference to History and Geography and the progress of the boys in the subject regularly enquired into by the Amildar.

Reply of Government.—A Text-book on Agriculture for the 3rd Standard is under preparation. For the 4th and 5th classes, there is already one.

Subject No. 18.
Accommodation for Village Schools and for teachers.

Summary of discussion.—Steps may be taken to remove the inconvenience now felt in villages for want of proper accommodation both for the schools located thereat and for the teachers employed therein. Wherever new schools are built, provision should be made therein for the accommodation of masters.

Reply of Government.—All the available funds have to be utilized in first providing accommodation for schools.

Subject No. 19.
Appointment of peons for large Village Schools.

Summary of discussion.—In large village schools with a strength of more than 50 or 60 boys the services of peons are highly desirable as otherwise much of the masters' time would be taken up by their having to go and bring the boys themselves.

Reply of Government.—There is no need for a peon to bring the boys to school. They should themselves come and parents and guardians should see that they attend the school.